

CROP REPORT



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Oregon wheat stocks similar to a year ago

Stocks of **wheat** stored in all positions in Oregon totaled 34.0 million bushels on December 1, 2004. This is nearly identical to the previous year's estimate of 33.8 million bushels. Off-farm stocks totaled 25.5 million bushels, a decrease of 3 percent from last year, whereas on-farm stocks totaled 8.5 million bushels, an increase of 13 percent compared to December 1, 2003. **Barley** stocks totaled 3.9 million bushels, an increase of 30 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 2.5 million bushels, an increase of 9 percent from last year. On-farm barley stocks totaled 1.4 million bushels, twice the level of one year ago. **Oat** stocks stored off-farm totaled 386,000 bushels, slightly higher than a year ago. **Corn** stocks stored off-farm were estimated at 208,000 bushels.

Pacific Northwest (Oregon, Idaho, and Washington)

Wheat stocks stored in all positions totaled 197.3 million bushels, a one percent increase from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 143.3 million bushels, were down 6 percent from last year. On-farm stocks totaled 54 million bushels, an increase of 24 percent over last year. **Barley** stocks totaled 57.6 million bushels, an increase of 34 percent from last year. On-farm stocks totaled 26.4 million bushels and represented 46 percent of the total stocks.

United States

All wheat stored in all positions on December 1, 2004 totaled 1.43 billion bushels, down 6 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 531 million bushels, up 8 percent from last December. Off-farm stocks, at 900 million bushels, are down 13 percent from a year ago. The September through November 2004 indicated disappearance is 508 million bushels, down 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Barley stocks in all positions on December 1, 2004 totaled 246 million bushels, up 24 percent from December 1, 2003. On-farm stocks are estimated at 131 million bushels, 34 percent above a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 115 million bushels, are 15 percent above December 2003. The September through November 2004 indicated disappearance is 43.9 million bushels, fractionally above the same period a year earlier.

Oats stored in all positions on December 1, 2004 totaled 105 million bushels, 12 percent below the stocks on December 1, 2003. Of the total stocks on hand, 60.4 million bushels are stored on farms, down 6 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 44.6 million bushels, down 19 percent from a year earlier. Indicated disappearance during September through November 2004 totaled 10.8 million bushels, down 13 percent from the same period a year ago.

Corn stocks in all positions on December 1, 2004 totaled 9.45 billion bushels, up 19 percent from December 1, 2003. This is the highest December 1 stocks level since 1987. Of the total stocks, 6.14 billion bushels are stored on farms, up 16 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 3.30 billion bushels, are up 24 percent from a year ago. The September through November 2004 indicated disappearance is 3.32 billion bushels, compared with 3.22 billion bushels during the same period last year.

Grain Stocks: December 1, 2003, September 1, 2004, and December 1, 2004

Crop/ Quarter	Oregon			Pacific-Northwest ¹			United States		
	On Farm	Off Farm ²	Total All Positions	On Farm	Off Farm ²	Total All Positions	On Farm	Off Farm ²	Total All Positions
	1,000 Bu.	1,000 Bu.	1,000 Bu.	1,000 Bu.	1,000 Bu.	1,000 Bu.	1,000 Bu.	1,000 Bu.	1,000 Bu.
Wheat									
Dec 1, 2003	7,500	26,325	33,825	43,500	151,967	195,467	491,925	1,028,359	1,520,284
Sep 1, 2004	12,500	32,368	44,868	77,500	197,599	275,099	795,600	1,146,115	1,941,715
Dec 1, 2004	8,500	25,490	33,990	54,000	143,339	197,339	531,020	899,718	1,430,738
Barley									
Dec 1, 2003	700	2,259	2,959	16,900	26,038	42,938	97,200	100,679	197,879
Sep 1, 2004	2,400	2,469	4,869	34,400	38,181	72,581	176,500	115,305	291,805
Dec 1, 2004	1,400	2,460	3,860	26,400	31,194	57,594	130,700	115,476	246,176
Oats									
Dec 1, 2003	*	365	*	*	1,077	*	64,400	54,900	119,300
Sep 1, 2004	*	499	*	*	1,304	*	74,800	41,454	116,254
Dec 1, 2004	*	386	*	*	1,137	*	60,400	44,563	104,963
Corn									
Dec 1, 2003	*	183	*	*	11,938	*	5,286,000	2,667,775	7,953,775
Sep 1, 2004	*	74	*	*	2,503	*	438,000	519,672	957,672
Dec 1, 2004	*	208	*	*	12,597	*	6,144,000	3,304,798	9,448,798

¹ Includes Oregon, Washington, and Idaho

² Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors.

* Data not published.